

Classified Ads

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FOR RENT—ROOMS

FOR RENT—One room in Delavan garage. Inquire of F. L. Delavan, 203 Elwell St., phone no. 130. 24-2-p

FOR RENT—Housekeeping rooms and also sleeping rooms. Inquire 816 N. Court st. 24-1-p

FOR RENT—HOUSES

FOR RENT—House with lights and bath. 422 Walnut st. Inquire of J. Sullivan, Little Rock Coal Co. 24-1-c

FOR SALE—CITY PROPERTY

FOR RENT OR SALE—Six room house, near Republic school, low price for cash or easy terms. Call phone 287 or 170. F. E. Pollasky, Pollasky blk. 17-1-f-c

FOR SALE—Cheap, five lots close to Republic plant one. Enquire Smith's Bakery. 11-1-f-c

FOR SALE—Modern seven-room house. Call at room 11, Pollasky block. 24-1-p

FOR SALE—House on Allen st. Inquire of J. Sullivan, Little Rock Coal Co. 24-1-c

FOR SALE—FARM PROPERTY

FOR SALE—Or will exchange for desirable town property, 40 acres of land, 1/2 of N 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 3, Pine River township, 5 1/2 miles north of the Episcopal church in Alma, good house and barn, silo, two wells. All cleared and filled with lightning rods on buildings. Will sell cheap if taken at once. Inquire of H. A. MacLaren, 310 W. Superior street. 23-1-f-c

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—Furniture at 124 Rockingham. Call evenings after six or Sundays. 23-2-p

FOR SALE—Scotch Collie pups. S. O. Boardman, Middleton, Mich. 24-1-p

FOR SALE—Victor spark plugs, guaranteed to give more power and better mileage with less gasoline consumption. \$1 per single plug or \$3 per set of 4. Sold by Doe L. Boardman, Alma Record office, 15-1-f

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—Grocery store, residence and stock; bargain to right party; ready worked up business. If interested call and see me, 1216 E. Superior St. 11-1-f

FOR SALE—Model H Hudson Super Six, 4 new cord tires, Detroit Weatherproof top, mechanical condition good. Price \$1050.00. Will pay expenses to Lansing if car is not as represented. G. H. Hopkins, 700 Townsend St., Lansing, Mich. 23-3-c

FOR SALE—Four registered Duroc Jersey hogs, April farrow; also fall pigs. S. C. Stahlman, 1 mile south, one-half mile west of Shepherd. 23-3-c

FOR SALE—100 shooks corn in field 2 1/2 miles southwest of Alma. Inquire Loren Kuschneider on farm. 23-2-c

FOR SALE—Cockerel and 8 one year old Buff Leghorn hens, will make fine foundation for next spring. Peasley strain of layers. M. S. Joiner, 515 College street. 24-1-p

FOR SALE—Several thoroughbred White Leghorn Cockerels. Inquire of D. W. Perry, 513 Wright ave-R 24-1-p

FOR SALE—A beautiful Boston fern measuring more than four feet. Cheap. Inquire at 1120 E. Superior street. 24-1-p

FOR SALE—To highest bidder, bids to close January 5, 1920, 80 acres land 13 miles west of Alma. Go north of Vestaburg to Skidmore school, then 3/4 mile west. Cash or terms. Enough timber on place for mill 3/4 mile west of land. Send bids to owner, J. A. Kenter, 263 Adams street, Plymouth, Mich. 24-4-p

FOR SALE—WE HAVE BOUGHT SOME ROOSTERS FOR BREEDING PURPOSES WHICH WE WILL SELL AT COST, OR 25c PER POUND. THIS IS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO IMPROVE YOUR POULTRY. CALL AND LOOK THE STOCK OVER AT OUR PLANT, SWIFT & CO., ALMA. 24-3-c

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—One female beagle hound, all white but head, which is black and brown. Answers to the name of Pansy. Liberal reward. G. V. Nye, 425 Walnut street. 33-1-f-c

FOUND—Black and tan hound, came to my place November 16. Owner can have same by paying for this notice and proving property. Call after supper at 628 Hannah avenue. W. R. Anderson. 23-3-p

FOUND—Automobile tire and rim, north of Alma, Sunday, November 30. Owner may have same by proving property and paying for this ad. Inquire at 432 Gratiot ave. 24-1-p

FOUND—A watch, owner can have same by proving property. Call at Record office. 24-1-p

LOST—A black leather grip, between Ithaca and Alma. Liberal reward if returned to Clapp's hardware store. 24-1-c

HELP WANTED

WANTED—Telephone operators. Steady work and good wages. Inquire at Union Telephone office, over Clapp's Hardware. 24-1-c

WANTED—A girl with some experience for general house work. Inquire 518 State st. 21-1-f-c

WANTED—Men for chopping 4 foot rotort wood, \$2.25 per cord. Antrim Iron Company, Mancelona, Mich. 21-4-c

WANTED—Men and women to canvass for entirely new and quick selling household article, one that sells readily during the winter months. Liberal commission. Address, Manistee Clothes Rack Co., Manistee, Michigan. 24-1-c

WANTED—Refined woman who can give all or part of her time to the management of a local branch of an old established business. Address Saginaw Vly. Co., 19 Schmelzer Bldg., Saginaw, Michigan. 24-3-c

WANTED—Bright young man to work in clothing store to learn clothing business. National Clothing Co. 24-1-f-c

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—Boarders. Meals by the week at 306 Lincoln ave. 24-1-p

WANTED—Who has a bed, springs and mattress that he would be willing to donate to a worthy family? I have discovered a family here of nine members, and no bed in the house. Six children in this family sleep on the floor. Look your attic over and let me know what you can spare. Ida B. Peck, phone 6-3 rings. 24-1-p

WANTED—A farm of 120 acres to work on shares, phone 636, 2 R. WANTED—Small places near Alma or St. Louis, from 5 to 15 acres. Will pay cash. W. D. Smith, 109 East Superior, Phone 462. 24-2-c

NOTICES, ETC.

NOTICE—HAVE YOUR RADIATOR REPAIRED AT THE ALMA RADIATOR SHOP AT WRIGHT'S GARAGE. EARL CARMAN, PROP. 22-1-f

NOTICE—I will be at the First National Bank of Ithaca every Thursday from December 11 to January 8 and at the First State Bank of Alma every Saturday from December 13 to January 10 and at my home every Friday from December 11 to January 10 for the purpose of receiving taxes. H. B. Clark, treasurer. 24-3-c

NOTICE—A sheep strayed upon my premises last week. Owner may have same by proving property and paying for this notice. Geo. Kemler, R. 5, two miles north of Alma. 24-1-p

Put one hundred men on an island where fish is a staple article of sustenance. Twenty-five of the men catch fish. Twenty-five other clean the fish. Twenty-five cook the fish. Twenty-five hunt fruit and vegetables. The entire company eats what thus is gathered and prepared. So long as everybody works there is plenty. All hands are happy.

Ten of the allotted fish catchers stop catching fish. Ten more dry and hide part of the fish they catch. Five continue to catch fish, but work only part of the day at it. Fewer fish go into the community kitchen.

But the same number of men insist upon having the same amount of fish to eat as they had before. The fifty men who formerly cleaned and cooked the fish have less to do owing to the undersupply of fish. But they continue to demand food.

Gradually greater burdens are laid upon upon the fruit and vegetable hunters. These insist upon a larger share of fish in return for their efforts in gathering fruit and vegetables. It is denied them and soon twenty of the twenty-five quit gathering fruit and vegetables.

But the entire one hundred men continue to insist upon their right to eat. The daily food supply gradually shrinks. The man with two fish demands three bananas in exchange for one of them. The man with two bananas refuses to part with one for fewer than three fish.

Finally the ten men remaining at work quit in disgust. Everybody continues to eat. The hidden fish are brought to light and consumed. Comes a day when there is no food of any kind. Everybody on the island blames everybody else.

What would seem to be the solution? Exactly! We thought you would guess it.

For we repeat that you can't eat, buy, sell, steal, give away, hoard, wear, use, play with or gamble with WHAT ISN'T—Chicago Herald and Examiner.

"Henry's" and "Harry's." While I know one Henry who was christened with disregard for the more dignified Henry and there may be other instances of the kind, there seems to be little doubt that the latter is the parent of the former name. England has always called its King Henry "Harry." During the reign of Henry VI, who succeeded to the throne in 1422, there was a piece of money coined called the Harry noble and in the time of Henry VIII there was a coin named the Harry groat. "In Jerusalem shall Harry die," said Henry IV.—Chicago Daily News.

Gem Has Tragic History. The "Regent" diamond, which is treasured in Paris, and is the queen of all the French national gems, was picked up in 1791 at the Parthenon mines on the Kistna, by a slave, who, concealing it in a hole cut for its reception in his thigh, escaped with it to the coast. Here he sold it to an English skipper, who, instead of paying the small sum demanded, treacherously killed the slave.

She Wanted Progress. "No, sah, Ah don't nober ride on dem things," said an old colored lady looking in on the merry-to-go-round. "Why, de other day I seen dat Rastus Johnson git on an ride as much as a dollah's worth an' git off at de very same place he got on at, ah! I sez to him: 'Rastus, I sez, 'yo' spent yo' money, but whar 'yo' been?'—Boston Transcript.

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Birds Foretell Weather Change. Swallows are unerring in their instinct. If they are flying high, they are not only weather-wise, but wise in common sense. They never venture far from home when bad weather is brewing.

Jewish Sabbath. The Jewish Sabbath starts at sun set on Friday, because the Jews, like the ancient Greeks, began their day at sunset and not at sunrise, or immediately after midnight, as we do who follow the ancient Romans.

Walking! Walking! What pleases there is in the mere act of walking upon some pleasant level! If relieved by alternating hill and dale, it is much the better.—Edward P. Hood.

Acres Up. Young Lawyer If your honor please, we will show that appellate courts have decided on similar pleadings that wherein plaintiff's witness had appeared with evidence after having been subpoenaed duces tecum.

Sensible Decision. "Wasn't your new French maid competent?" asked Mrs. Gawker. "Oh, yes," replied Mrs. Boudier. "Then, why did you discharge her?" "The first time Mr. Boudier saw her I caught him glancing at himself in a mirror and grudging his tie. I may have lost my girl's beauty, but I haven't lost my brains."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

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DEATH LAID TO EVIL SPIRITS

Bangalas Tribe in Africa Refuse to Believe That Mortal Dissolution Is Certain.

Strange rites and ceremonies still abound in Africa. Most of these have their origin in superstitions instigated by the medicine men or magicians of a tribe for their own betterment, while many are adopted as customs of a tribe.

Foremost of the funeral "celebrations" in Africa is that of a tribe called the Bangalas, near the Quango river. Here the deceased is asked to state the cause of his death, and is often prosecuted before being buried.

The death of an African in these sections is never announced, and, only on inquiry is anyone told of the death of a tribe member. When the death is generally known the relatives come and fall into a state of excitement and weeping, with frequent interruptions of a hilarious nature. Drums and musical instruments are assembled and the revelry is continued until after sunrise.

This ceremony occupies two days. The body is brought out during these ceremonies and fastened in a sitting posture in a chair and placed at the door of his hut. The idea of the natives is that the deceased shall share in the festivities.

Only the mother and wife of the deceased show signs of grief. After the "celebrations" the deceased is put under rigid examination as to what or who caused his death. Naturally, he is unable to answer, and the crowd abuses him, demanding an answer. At last it is agreed that he was killed through the aid of evil spirits. The body is then taken to the cemetery.

The inhabitants do not believe that everyone must die, that evil spirits alone interfere with lives.

ISLAND OF MANY MEMORIES. St. Helena, the island where Napoleon Bonaparte spent some six years of exile and where he died in 1821, has one of the most peculiar landscapes in the world, and by reason of the great variety of trees and plants that grow there.

For many years the island was a sort of ocean crossroads where all ships plying between Europe and the East stopped for supplies. It was uninhabited when discovered and most of its population is made up of the descendants of persons who deserted from passing vessels. European, African and Asiatic peoples are all represented.

Nearly all of these settlers of many races and nationalities tried to introduce into the island plants and trees from their home countries, as people are wont to do the world over. Some of these failed to survive, but a surprising variety of crops and trees thrive in the semi-tropical climate and rich soil of the little island. As a result the English oak tree today grows beside bananas and palms. Raising dates is an industry of the valleys, while Scotch pines grow on the uplands, and some of the level land is covered with English gorse. Lemon and orange trees are to be found not far from patches of bramble and groves of willow. A visitor from almost any part of the world may look about and find a bit of landscape to remind him of home.—"Niksah," in Chicago News.

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Officer Tells of Circumstances Under Which Colonel McCrea Wrote "In Flanders Fields."

"In Flanders Fields," to quote the words of Major General Morrison, who commanded the brigade to which Lieutenant Colonel McCrea was attached at the time, "was literally born of fire and blood during the hottest phase of the second battle of Ypres."

"My headquarters were in a trench on the top of the bank of the Ypres canal; and John had his dressing station in a hole dug in the foot of the bank. During periods of the battle men who were shot actually rolled down the bank into his dressing station. Along from us a few hundred yards was the headquarters of a regiment, and many times during the 11 days of the battle, he and I watched them burying their dead whenever there was a lull. Thus the crosses, row on row, grew into a good-sized cemetery."

"Just as he describes, we often heard the larks singing high in the air, between the crash of the shell and the reports of the guns in the battery just beside us. I have a letter from him in which he mentions having written the poem to pass away the time between the arrival of batches of wounded, and partly as an experiment with several varieties of poetic meter."

The unit with which McCrea served was the most advanced of all the allies' guns by a good deal, except one French battery, which stayed in a position yet more advanced for two days, and then had to be taken out.

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